

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

ART UNIT: 1636

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EXAMINER: DUNSTON, DR. JENNIFER A.

APPLICATION NO: 10/663,002

CONFIRMATION NO: 2334

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FOR: ASSAY FOR PPAR LIGAND DEPENDENT GENE MODULATION

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Commissioner for Patents

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action dated February 27, 2007 which is due May 27, 2007, with a shortened statutory period for reply.

This Response is deemed to be timely filed. However, if any fee is deemed to be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Account No. 19-3880 in the name of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

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